

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 30, 2004

A DJJ employee has been arrested and charged with three counts of **Financial Identity Fraud**, one count of **Computer Crime** and one count of **Obtaining Property by False Pretenses**.

Vivian Brown, 34, of 8 Ashley's Place Road, Columbia, S.C., was arrested Monday morning at approximately 11:00 a.m. and booked at the Richland County Detention Center.

The arrest follows a joint investigation conducted by SLED, DJJ, the United States Postal Service, Charleston Police Department and Richland County Sheriff's Department. The case will be prosecuted by the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office.

*** Warrants Attached**

ARREST WARRANT

H-710678

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

 THE STATE
 against

VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

 Address: 108 ASHLEY'S PLACE
 COLUMBIA SC 29209 - 0000

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

 Sex: Face: Height: 5 Weight: 165
 DL State: 9/22/69 SO# 008729308

DOB: 9/22/69 Agency ORI#

 Prosecuting Agency: STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT
 Prosecuting Officer: DAVID H GIVENS

 Offense: BREACH/SIGN/PROP, FALSE,
 \$1000 TO \$5000 Offense Code: 0531

Code/Ordinance Sec. 16-13-0240(2)

 This warrant is CERTIFIED FOR SERVICE in the
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

 The accused
 is to be arrested and brought before me to be
 dealt with according to law.

Signature of Judge (L.S.)

Date:

RETURN

 A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to
 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN
 on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

 RETURN WARRANT TO:
 DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE
 1223 ST. ANDREWS ROAD
 COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

AFFIDAVIT

DAVID H GIVENS

 Personally appeared before me the affiant DAVID H GIVENS
 being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN
 did within this county and state on 12/05/03 violate the criminal laws of the

 State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: BREACH/SIGN/PROP, FALSE, \$1000 TO \$5000

 I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit
 the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

 THAT BETWEEN DECEMBER 5, 2003 AND AUGUST 4, 2004 IN RICHLAND
 COUNTY, ONE VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN DID BY FALSE PRETENSE OR
 REPRESENTATION OBTAIN FROM SWISS COLONY.COM AND OR ITS
 SUBSIDIARIES, VALUABLE PROPERTY IN EXCESS OF \$1,000.00, WITH
 INTENT TO CHEAT AND DEFRAUD SWISS COLONY.COM OF THAT PROPERTY,
 BY USING FRAUDULENTLY OBTAINED IDENTITIES TO ORDER MERCHANDISE
 BY USING FRAUDULENTLY OBTAINED IDENTITIES TO ORDER MERCHANDISE
 VIA THE INTERNET.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

 Affiant's Address SLED/4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD
 COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000

Affiant's Telephone 803 896-2277

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

 If appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that
 on 12/05/03 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

 did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

 DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: BREACH/SIGN/PROP, FALSE, \$1000 TO \$5000
 as set forth below.

 Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said
 defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to
 the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 12/05/04

Judge's Address DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE

COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000

Judge's Telephone 803 576-2540

 Issuing Court: ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL

ARREST WARRANT

H-710679

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

 THE STATE
 against

 VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN
 Address: 108 ASHLEY'S PLACE
 COLUMBIA SC 29209 - 0000

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: Race: Height: 5 Weight: 168

DL State: SQL #: 008729308

DOB: 9/22/69 Agency ORI#: [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency: STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIV

Prosecuting Officer: DAVID H GIVENS

Offense: COMPUTER/CRIME ACT, >\$1000

-25000-2ND D-1ST Offense Code: 0681

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-16-0020(3)(c)

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 is to be arrested and brought before me to be
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Signature of Judge

(L.S.)

Date:

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on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

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 1223 ST. ANDREWS ROAD
 COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000

 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant: DAVID H GIVENS who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

did within this county and state on 12/05/03 violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of)

in the following particulars: COMPUTER/CRIME ACT, >\$1000-25000-2ND D-1ST

 I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit
 the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

 THAT BETWEEN DECEMBER 5, 2003 AND AUGUST 23, 2004 ONE VIVIAN
 BROWN DID WILLFULLY, KNOWINGLY AND WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR FOR
 AN UNAUTHORIZED PURPOSE, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ACCESS OR
 CAUSED TO BE ACCESSED A COMPUTER, COMPUTER SYSTEM, OR COMPUTER
 NETWORK FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVISING OR EXECUTING A SCHEME
 OR ARTIFICE TO DEFRAUD AND OBTAIN PROPERTY BY MEANS OF FALSE
 OR FRAUDULENT PRETENSES, REPRESENTATIONS, PROMISES IN EXCESS
 OF \$1000.00 TO WIT: DEFENDANT BROWN USED FRAUDULENTLY OBTAINED
 IDENTITIES TO ORDER OR ATTEMPT TO ORDER MERCHANDISE FROM SWISS
 COLONY.COM AND OR ITS SUBSIDIARIES OF SWISS COLONY VIA INTERNET.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY

Affiant's Address SLED 4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000

Affiant's Telephone 803 896-2277

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 12/05/03 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of) as set forth below.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: COMPUTER/CRIME ACT, >\$1000-25000-2ND D-1ST

 Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said
 defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to
 the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 12/05/04

 Signature of Issuing Judge
 (L.S.)

 Judge's Address
 DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE
 COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000
 Judge's Telephone 803 576-2540
 Issuing Court: ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL

ARREST WARRANT

H-710680

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
 RICHLAND COUNTY
THE STATE
against

VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

Address: 108 ASHLEYS PLACE

COLUMBIA SC 29209 - 0000

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: Race: Height: 5 Weight: 165

DL State: SQL #: 008729308

DOB: 9/22/69 Agency ORI#:

Prosecuting Agency: STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIV

Prosecuting Officer: DAVID H GIVENS

Offense: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

Code/Ordinance Sec: 16-13-510 Offense Code: 2813

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Signature of Judge (L.S.)

Date:

RETURN

 A copy of this arrest warrant was delivered to
 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

RETURN WARRANT TO:

 DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE
 1223 ST. ANDREWS ROAD
 COLUMBIA SC 29210 - 0000
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
RICHLAND COUNTY

AFFIDAVIT

 Form Approved by
 S.C. Attorney General
 April 2, 2003
 SCSA 618

 Personally appeared before me the affiant DAVID H GIVENS who
 being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN
 did within this county and state on 5/17/04 violate the criminal laws of the
 State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of)
 in the following particulars:
 DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

 I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit
 the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

 THAT VIVIAN E BROWN DID ON OR ABOUT MAY 17, 2004 IN RICHLAND
 COUNTY, KNOWINGLY COMMIT THE CRIME OF FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD
 IN THAT SHE DID WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR PERMISSION OF TARYN
 GOWDER, AND WITH INTENT OF UNLAWFULLY APPROPRIATING THE
 FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF GOWDER, OBTAIN AND USE GOWDER'S SOCIAL
 SECURITY NUMBER TO OBTAIN CREDIT AND SUBSEQUENTLY PURCHASE
 MERCHANDISE FROM GINNY'S.COM VIA THE INTERNET.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of
RICHLAND COUNTY

Affiant's Address SLED/4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

Affiant's Telephone 803 896-2277

ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

It appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 5/17/04 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

 did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

 Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said
 defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to
 the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 5/17/04

Signature of Issuing Judge (L.S.)

Judge Code: 463

Judge's Address DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

Judge's Telephone 803 576-2540

 Issuing Court: ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL

ARREST WARRANT

H-710681

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

RICHLAND COUNTY

THE STATE

against

VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

Address: 108 ASHLEYS PLACE

COLUMBIA SC 29209 - 0000

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: Race: Height: 5 Weight: 165

DL State: SOL #: 008729308

DOB: 9/22/69 Agency ORI#: [REDACTED]

Prosecuting Agency: STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIV

Prosecuting Officer: DAVID H GIVENS

Offense: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

Code/Ordinance Sec. 16-13-510 Offense Code: 2813

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The accused

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(L.S.)

Signature of Judge

Date:

RETURN

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on

Signature of Constable/Law Enforcement Officer

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COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of)

RICHLAND COUNTY)

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before me the affiant DAVID H GIVENS

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

did within this county and state on 6/06/04

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of) violate the criminal laws of the

in the following particulars:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

I further state that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT VIVIAN E BROWN DID ON OR ABOUT JUNE 6, 2004 IN RICHLAND COUNTY, KNOWINGLY COMMIT THE CRIME OF FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD IN THAT SHE DID WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR PERMISSION OF MYESHA BROWN AND WITH INTENT OF UNLAWFULLY APPROPRIATING THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF MYESHA BROWN, OBTAIN AND USE MYESHA BROWNS SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TO OBTAIN CREDIT AND SUBSEQUENTLY PURCHASE MERCHANDISE FROM SEVENTHAVENUE.COM, VIA THE INTERNET.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of)

RICHLAND COUNTY)

Affiant's Address SLED/4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

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ARREST WARRANT

TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THIS STATE OR MUNICIPALITY OR ANY CONSTABLE OF THIS COUNTY:

If appearing from the above affidavit that there are reasonable grounds to believe that

on 6/06/04 defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of) as set forth below:

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

Having found probable cause and the above affiant having sworn before me, you are empowered and directed to arrest the said defendant and bring him or her before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law. A copy of this Arrest Warrant shall be delivered to the defendant at the time of its execution, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

on 8/29/04

Judge's Signature (s.)

Judge's Address DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

Judge's Telephone

803 576-2540

Judge Code: 463

Issuing Court: ☐ Magistrate ☐ Municipal ☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL

ARREST WARRANT

H-710682

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

RICHLAND COUNTY

THE STATE

against

VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

Address: 108 ASHLEYS PLACE

COLUMBIA SC 29209 - 0000

Phone: SSN: [REDACTED]

Sex: Female Face: Bright 5 Weight: 165

DL State: SQL #: 008729308

DOB: 9/22/69 Agency OR#: [REDACTED]

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Prosecuting Officer: DAVID H GIVENS

Offense: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

Offense Code: 2813

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Signature of Judge

(I.S.)

Date:

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COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

RICHLAND COUNTY

AFFIDAVIT

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who

being duly sworn deposes and says that defendant VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN

did within this county and state on 6/06/04

violate the criminal laws of the

State of South Carolina (or ordinance of ☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE: FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD

I further state, that there is probable cause to believe that the defendant named above did commit the crime set forth and that probable cause is based on the following facts:

THAT ON OR ABOUT JUNE 6, 2004 ONE VIVIAN ELAINE BROWN DID KNOWINGLY COMMIT THE CRIME OF FINANCIAL IDENTITY FRAUD IN THAT SHE DID WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR PERMISSION OF MARY BROWN AND WITH INTENT OF UNLAWFULLY APPROPRIATING THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF MARY BROWN, OBTAIN AND USE MARY BROWN'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TO OBTAIN CREDIT AND SUBSEQUENTLY PURCHASE MERCHANDISE FROM GINNY'S.COM, VIA THE INTERNET.

Signature of Affiant

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

☐ County/ ☐ Municipality of

RICHLAND COUNTY

Affiant's Address SLED/4400 BROAD RIVER ROAD

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

Affiant's Telephone 803 896-2277

ARREST WARRANT

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did violate the criminal laws of the State of South Carolina (or ordinance of

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Sworn to and subscribed before me

on

8/26/04

Signature of Issuing Judge

Judge's Address

DUTCH FORK MAGISTRATE

COLUMBIA

SC 29210 - 0000

Judge's Telephone

803 576-2540

Judge Code: 463

Issuing Court:

☐ Magistrate☐ Municipal☐ Circuit

ORIGINAL